

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company – Notice of
Construction Project

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COVER SHEET

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January 14, 2011

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
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RE: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company
Notice of New Natural Gas Construction Project
Docket No. 2006-244-G

Dear Ms. Boyd:

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Company") is required to notify the Public Service Commission ("Commission") and the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") of natural gas construction projects with costs of \$500,000 or more. *See* 26 S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 103-412.2.7(A). In compliance with the regulation, this letter serves as notification to the Commission that SCE&G will be constructing a new dedicated natural gas control room for its natural gas service operations. The new control room will be located within the Company's existing training center.

On December 3, 2009, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") published a final rule for control room management. *See* 49 C.F.R. § 192.631 (2010). The new rule addresses human factors and other aspects of control room management for gas utilities where controllers use supervisory control and data acquisition systems. The new rule, which became effective February 1, 2010, requires the development of control room management procedures by August 1, 2011, and implementation of those procedures by February 1, 2013. On September 17, 2010, PHMSA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking seeking to expedite the program implementation deadline to August 1, 2011, for most requirements. *See* Pipeline Safety: Control Room Management/Human Factors, 75 Fed. Reg. 56972 (2010) (to be codified at 49 C.F.R. pts. 192 and 195) (proposed Sept. 17, 2010). It is unknown whether the proposed rule to expedite the program implementation deadline will be adopted, but, out of an abundance of caution, SCE&G is working diligently to ensure that its control room management procedures are ready for implementation on August 1, 2011, if required.

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In order for SCE&G to fully meet the requirements of the new rule in a timely manner, the Company must construct a new control room for its natural gas operations. Construction of SCE&G's new control room is scheduled to begin later this month and the Company anticipates completing construction by May 2011. The Company anticipates that the total cost of this construction project will exceed \$500,000.

By copy of this letter, we are also notifying the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff of the Company's construction project.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,



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